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Title : A CONDUCTIVE PASTE FOR AN ELECTRODE LAYER OF  
A MULTI-LAYERED CERAMIC ELECTRONIC  
COMPONENT AND A METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING  
A MULTI-LAYERED UNIT FOR A MULTI-LAYERED  
CERAMIC ELECTRONIC COMPONENT

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the present Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified United States National Phase patent application. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.